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#### Dear Examiner Brase:

In response to the non-final office action mailed May 11, 2005, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 10, 2005 (1 page); and
- 2) Response to Election/Restriction Requirement with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated June 10, 2005 (2 pages).

Very respectfully.

Ronald E. Smith Reg. No. 28,761

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Application No.

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Applicant:

: Steven Miller : 12/19/2003

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: Sandra L. Brase

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: Removable Toner Cartridge Universal Adapter

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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement for this application.

#### **STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. I.136 apply. 3. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER

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Dear Sir.

In response to the nonfinal Examiner's Action mailed May 11, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 11, 2005, the above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows:

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant elects to prosecute the claims directed to Species I for a waste bin configuration as illustrated in Figures 1B and 2A-2J. The claims readable thereon are claims 1-13, 19 and 20.

#### REMARKS

If an Examiner's Amendment would place the pending claims in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (727) 507-8558 is requested.

Very respectfully,

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